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TO THE ASSISTANT COMMISSIONER FOR PATENTS:

Transmitted herewith for filing under 137 C.F.R. § 1.53(b) by Express Mail is the complete patent application of: Gregory N. Hullender, John R. Bennett, Patrick M. Haluptzok,

Title: METHOD AND MECHANISM TO REDUCE HANDWRITING RECOGNIZER ERRORS
USING MULTIPLE DECISION TREES

- X 1. This application is a continuation of prior application serial number 08/870,559, filed June 6, 1997, priority from the filing date of which is hereby claimed under 35 U.S.C. § 120.
- X 2. An application consisting of 28 pages of specification and claims and 14 sheets of formal/informal drawings is attached.
- X 3. Please amend the specification Amend the specification by inserting after the title, the following sentence -- This is a continuation of copending application Serial No. 08/870,559, filed on June 6, 1997. --
- 4. A Preliminary Amendment is enclosed.
- X 5. A copy of the Declaration and Power of Attorney filed in the above noted prior application is attached. [Note: This application is a continuation or divisional, no new matter has been added to this application, and no new inventors have been named.]
 - i. Please delete the following inventor(s) named in the prior application, such deleted person(s) not being an inventor of the subject matter claimed herein:

 - X ii. The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which a copy of the declaration is supplied, is considered as being part of the disclosure of this application and is hereby incorporated by reference herein.
- X 6. The prior application was assigned to Microsoft Corporation, by an assignment recorded at reel 8593/frame 0912.
- X 7. A filing date in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.10 is requested. The Express Mail Certificate appears below.
- X 8. The following additional documents are enclosed: Return Postcard.

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Multiple Dependent Claims	-0-		---		\$260/\$130	=	0
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- X 9. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any fees under 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.16, 1.17 and 1.18 which may be required during the entire pendency of the application, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 500463. This authorization also hereby includes a request for any extensions of time of the appropriate length required upon the filing of any reply during the entire prosecution of this application. A copy of this sheet is enclosed.

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